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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/48/615)]

48/36. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3499 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, by which it established the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization, and its relevant resolutions adopted at subsequent sessions, 1/

Recalling also its resolution 47/233 of 17 August 1993 on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly,

Recalling further its resolution 47/62 of 11 December 1992 on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council,

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1/ Resolutions 31/28 of 29 November 1976, 32/45 of 8 December 1977, 33/94 of 16 December 1978, 34/147 of 17 December 1979, 35/164 of 15 December 1980, 36/122 of 11 December 1981, 37/114 of 16 December 1982, 38/141 of 19 December 1983, 39/88 of 13 December 1984, 40/78 of 11 December 1985, 41/83 of 3 December 1986, 42/157 of 7 December 1987, 43/170 of 9 December 1988, 44/37 of 4 December 1989, 45/44 of 28 November 1990, 46/58 of 9 December 1991 and 47/38 of 25 November 1992.

Bearing in mind the reports of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh, 2/ thirty-ninth, 3/, fortieth, 4/ forty-first, 5/ forty-second, 6/ forty-third, 7/ forty-fourth, 8/ forty-fifth, 9/ forty-sixth, 10/ forty-seventh 11/ and forty-eighth 12/ sessions, as well as the views and comments expressed on them by Member States,

Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General of 8 November 1993, 13/

Recalling the elements relevant to the work of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization contained in its resolution 47/120 B of 20 September 1993,

Noting the discussions in the Security Council towards strengthening the consultative process in accordance with Article 50 of the Charter with a view to minimizing special economic problems of countries adversely affected as a result of their implementation of preventive or enforcement measures under Chapter VII of the Charter,

Mindful of the desirability for the Special Committee to carry out further work in the fields of the maintenance of international peace and security and the peaceful settlement of disputes between States,

Bearing in mind various proposals submitted to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session aimed at strengthening the role of the Organization and enhancing its effectiveness,

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2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/37/1).

3/ Ibid., Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/39/1).

4/ Ibid., Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/40/1).

5/ Ibid., Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/41/1).

6/ Ibid., Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/42/1).

7/ Ibid., Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/43/1).

8/ Ibid., Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/44/1).

9/ Ibid., Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/45/1).

10/ Ibid., Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/46/1).

11/ Ibid., Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/47/1).

12/ Ibid., Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/48/1).

13/ A/48/573-S/26705.

Having considered the report of the Special Committee on the work of its session held in 1993, 14/

1. Takes note of the report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization; 14/

2. Decides that the Special Committee will hold its next session from 7 to 25 March 1994;

3. Requests the Special Committee, at its session in 1994, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 4 below:

(a) To accord appropriate time for the consideration of all proposals concerning the question of the maintenance of international peace and security in all its aspects in order to strengthen the role of the United Nations and, in this context:

(i) To consider on a priority basis proposals on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions under Chapter VII of the Charter;

(ii) To continue its consideration, also on a priority basis, of the proposal on the enhancement of cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations;

(iii) To consider other specific proposals relating to the maintenance of international peace and security already submitted to the Special Committee or which might be submitted to the Special Committee at its session in 1994, including the proposal on the strengthening of the role of the Organization and enhancement of its efficiency and the revised proposal submitted with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of the Security Council with regard to the maintenance of international peace and security;

(b) To continue its work on the question of the peaceful settlement of disputes between States and in this context:

(i) To continue its consideration of the proposal on United Nations rules for the conciliation of disputes between States;

(ii) To continue its consideration of other specific proposals relating to the peaceful settlement of disputes between States, in particular those relating to the enhancement of the role of the International Court of Justice;

4. Also requests the Special Committee to be mindful of the importance of reaching general agreement whenever that has significance for the outcome of its work;

14/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 33 (A/48/33).

5. Decides that the Special Committee shall continue to accept the participation of observers of Member States in its meetings, including those of its working group, and also decides that the Special Committee shall be authorized to invite other States or intergovernmental organizations to participate in the debate in plenary meetings of the Special Committee on specific items where it considers that such participation would assist in its work;

6. Invites the Special Committee at its session in 1994 to initiate a review of its membership and to consider various proposals regarding this membership;

7. Requests the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session;

8. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled "Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization".

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/48/618)]

48/37. Question of responsibility for attacks on United Nations and associated personnel and measures to ensure that those responsible for such attacks are brought to justice

The General Assembly,

Recalling the report of the Secretary-General entitled "An Agenda for Peace" 1/ and General Assembly resolution 47/120 B of 20 September 1993,

Recalling also its resolution 47/72 of 14 December 1992,

Gravely concerned at the increasing number of attacks on United Nations personnel that have caused death or serious injury,

Recalling further the statement made by the President of the Security Council, on behalf of the Council, on 31 March 1993, 2/ in which the Security Council, inter alia, recognized the need for all relevant bodies of the Organization to take concerted action to enhance the safety and security of United Nations forces and personnel,

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1/ A/47/277-S/24111.

2/ See S/25493.

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Recalling the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations, 3/

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General of 27 August 1993 on the security of United Nations operations, 4/

Recalling also Security Council resolution 868 (1993) of 29 September 1993,

Noting with appreciation the draft proposals submitted by the delegations of New Zealand 5/ and Ukraine 6/ under this item,

Welcoming the oral report of the Chairman of the Working Group established under the item, 7/

1. Decides to establish an Ad Hoc Committee open to all Member States to elaborate an international convention dealing with the safety and security of United Nations and associated personnel, with particular reference to responsibility for attacks on such personnel;

2. Decides also that the Ad Hoc Committee shall be authorized to hold a session from 28 March to 8 April 1994 and, if the Committee itself so decides, to hold a further session from 1 to 12 August 1994, to prepare the text of a draft convention, taking into account any suggestions and proposals from States, as well as comments and suggestions that the Secretary-General may wish to provide on this subject, and bearing in mind views expressed during the debate on this item at the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Ad Hoc Committee with the necessary facilities for the performance of its work;

4. Requests the Ad Hoc Committee to report to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session on progress made towards the elaboration of the draft convention;

5. Recommends that at its forty-ninth session a working group be re-established in the framework of the Sixth Committee in the event that further work is required for the elaboration of the draft convention;

3/ A/48/173.

4/ A/48/349-S/26358.

5/ A/C.6/48/L.2.

6/ A/C.6/48/L.3.

7/ See A/C.6/48/SR.29.

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session the item entitled "Question of responsibility for attacks on United Nations and associated personnel and measures to ensure that those responsible for such attacks are brought to justice".

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